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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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## **AMENDMENT**

HONORABLE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS & TRADEMARKS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action of April 11, 1994,

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 2, 3 and 5 as follows:

--2. (Twice Amended) The process as recited in claim 5, wherein said refining step includes the steps of:

receiving the blister copper through said blister copper launder means in said [anode] blister copper refining furnace;

oxidizing the blister copper in said [anode] <u>blister</u>

<u>copper refining</u> furnace by blowing oxidizing gas into said

[anode] <u>blister copper refining</u> furnace;

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